prior hospitalization requirement for Medicare coverage of skilled nursing facility services in qualified skilled nursing facilities, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. BISHOP of New York (for himself and Mr. GEORGE MILLER of California):

H.R. 3532. A bill to promote State requirements for local educational agencies and public elementary and secondary schools relating to the prevention and treatment of concussions suffered by students; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

By Mr. AMODEI:

H.R. 3533. A bill to amend the Endangered Species Act of 1973 to permit Governors of States to regulate intrastate endangered species and intrastate threatened species, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Natural Resources.

By Mr. WALBERG (for himself, Mr. CONYERS, Mr. HUIZENGA of Michigan, Mr. DINGELL, Mrs. MILLER of Michigan, Mr. BENISHEK, Mr. PETERS of Michigan, Mr. BENTIVOLIO, Mr. UPTON, Mr. CAMP, Mr. ROGERS of Michigan, Mr. LEVIN, and Mr. KILDEE):

H.R. 3534. A bill to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 113 West Michigan Avenue in Jackson, Michigan, as the "Officer James Bonneau Memorial Post Office"; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

By Mr. McNERNEY (for himself and Mr. Gary G. Miller of California):

H.R. 3535. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to authorize a new empowerment zone designations for urban areas with high unemployment and high foreclosure rates, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mrs. BEATTY (for herself, Ms. Norton, Ms. Sewell of Alabama, Mr. Loebsack, and Mr. Cartwright):

H.R. 3536. A bill to amend the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 to support teacher and school professional training on awareness of student mental health conditions and suicide prevention efforts; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

By Ms. EDWARDS (for herself, Ms. NORTON, Mr. CUMMINGS, Ms. TSONGAS, Mr. CICILLINE, Mr. WELCH, and Mr. HOLT):

H.R. 3537. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to make permanent the credit for increasing research activities, to increase such credit for amounts paid or incurred for qualified research occurring in the United States, and to increase the domestic production activities deduction for the manufacture of property substantially all of the research and development of which occurred in the United States; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. HINOJOSA (for himself and Mr. GEORGE MILLER of California):

H.R. 3538. A bill to expand the use of open textbooks in order to achieve savings for students; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

By Mr. LONG:

H.R. 3539. A bill to amend title X of the Public Health Service Act with respect to adoption and other pregnancy options counseling; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mr. POLIS (for himself, Mr. MARINO, and Mr. DEUTCH):

H.R. 3540. A bill to amend chapter 26 of title 35, United States Code, to require the disclosure of information related to patent ownership, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary, and in addition to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, for a period to be subsequently determined

by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. GRIFFIN of Arkansas (for himself and Mr. GARDNER):

H.R. 3541. A bill to prevent a taxpayer bailout of health insurance issuers; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mr. JOHNSON of Ohio:

H.R. 3542. A bill to amend the Safe Drinking Water Act to exempt fire hydrants from the prohibition on the use of lead pipes, fittings, fixtures, solder, and flux; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mr. HASTINGS of Florida:

H. Res. 421. A resolution recognizing people of African Descent and Black Europeans; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

By Mr. VAN HOLLEN (for himself and Mrs. Blackburn):

H. Res. 422. A resolution recognizing the campaign of genocide against the Kurdish people in Iraq; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

By Ms. WILSON of Florida (for herself, Ms. Speier, Ms. Chu, Mr. Honda, Mr. Farr, Ms. Eshoo, Ms. Lee of California, Mr. Waxman, Mrs. Capps, Ms. Jackson Lee, Mr. McGovern, Mr. Swalwell of California, Mrs. Napolitano, Mr. Lowenthal, Mr. George Miller of California, Mr. Crowley, Mr. Moran, Mr. Barrow of Georgia, Mr. Hastings of Florida, Mr. Delaney, and Mrs. Lowey):

H. Res. 423. A resolution honoring the life, legacy, and example of Congressman Leo J. Ryan 35 years after his tragic death; to the Committee on House Administration, and in addition to the Committee on Foreign Affairs, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

## CONSTITUTIONAL AUTHORITY STATEMENT

Pursuant to clause 7 of rule XII of the Rules of the House of Representatives, the following statements are submitted regarding the specific powers granted to Congress in the Constitution to enact the accompanying bill or joint resolution.

By Mr. MEADOWS:

H.R. 3529.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article 1, Section 8, Clause 1:

Congress shall have Power to lay and collect Taxes, Duties, Imposts and Excises, to pay the Debts and provide for the common Defence and general Welfare of the United States; but all Duties, Imposts and Excises shall be uniform throughout the United States.

By Mr. POE of Texas:

H.R. 3530.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 8

By Mr. RENACCI:

H.R. 3531.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Congress created a health care program called Medicare that is operated by the federal government. This bill would improve the efficiency and fairness of that program, especially access to care, while affecting interstate commerce, which Congress has the power to regulate under Article I, Section 8, Clause 3.

By Mr. BISHOP of New York: H.R. 3532.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 8, Clauses 1, 3, and 18.

By Mr. AMODEI:

H.R. 3533.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

The constitutional authority of Congress to enact this legislation is provided by Article I, Section 8 of the United States Constitution, specifically clause 1 (relating to providing for the general welfare of the United States) and clause 18 (relating to the power to make all laws necessary and proper for carrying out the powers vested in Congress), and Article IV, Section 3, Clause 2 (relating to the power of Congress to dispose of and make all needful rules and regulations respecting the territory or other property belonging to the United States).

By Mr. WALBERG:

H.R. 3534.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 8, Clause 7.

By Mr. McNerney:

.R. 3535

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, section 8 of the United States Constitution.

By Mrs. BEATTY:

H.R. 3536.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article 1, Section 8, Clause 1

By Ms. EDWARDS:

H.R. 3537.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 1.

All legislative Powers herein granted shall be vested in a Congress of the United States, which shall consist of a Senate and House of Representatives.

By Mr. HINOJOSA:

H.R. 3538.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

This bill is enacted pursuant to the power granted to Congress under Article I, Section 8, Clause 1 of the United States Constitution.

By Mr. LONG:

H.R. 3539.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 8, Clause 1—The Congress shall have Power to . . ." provide for the common Defense and general Welfare of the United States . . ."

Article 1, Section 8, Clause 18—"To make all Laws which shall be necessary and proper for carrying into Execution the foregoing Powers, and all other Powers vested by this Constitution in the Government of the United States, or in any Department or Officer thereof."

By Mr. POLIS:

H.R. 3540.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Clause 8 of Section 8 of Article I of the U.S. Constitution.

By Mr. GRIFFIN of Arkansas:

H.R. 3541.

Congress has the power to enact this legis-

Article I, Section 8, Clause 1 of the United States Constitution.

By Mr. JOHNSON of Ohio:

H.R. 3542.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

According to Article I, Section 8, Clause 3 of the Constitution: The Congress shall have power to enact this legislation to regulate commerce with foreign nations, and among the several states, and with the Indian tribes.